

DUXBURY BEACH

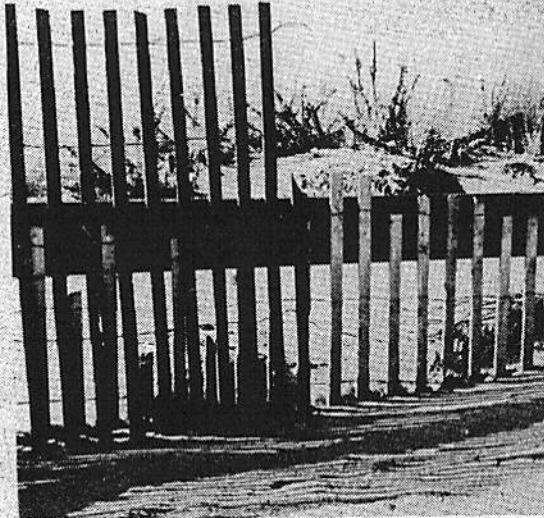
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BEACH CONSERVATION

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Pictured above is an example of sand fence effectiveness. Last year's sand anchor (right of center) and this year's structure (left of center). You can see that in one year the sand-brake on the right is buried better than half its height. Our major challenge is to allow the struggling vegetation pictured in the background to advance into the areas of newly trapped sand. Unfortunately, this won't happen without your cooperation; the trampling feet of unaware pedestrians and the churning wheels of ignorant drivers crush the stabilized or advancing vegetation.

As of this writing the Christmas tree erosion control project is snow bound. After loading, hauling and placing all available trees on the beach the workers are resting. Watch the **Clipper** for project restart details; more secure placement of trees, cable unravelling and more sand fence erection.

A salute again to all of you in our breakwater-beach program to date.